

Total Sanitation Programme in Andhra Pradesh

682. SHRI K. M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government selected Chittoor, Khammam, Prakasham and Nalgonda districts of Andhra Pradesh for implementation of "total sanitation" programme at the cost of Rs. 59.61 crores; and

(b) when the work on this project is likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) Low Cost Sanitation Schemes in 14 towns of Chittoor, Khammam, Prakasham and Nalgonda districts of Andhra Pradesh involving HUD CO loan amount of Rs. 1060.18 lakhs and Government of India subsidy of Rs. 509.73 lakhs have been sanctioned. The work in these schemes has already started and 36806 units completed out of total 46873 units sanctioned.

Harvesting of Rain Water

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been average rain fall in the monsoon seasons in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the quantity of water being available through the rain fall in the country;

(c) whether Government have made any assessment with regard to the harvesting of this rain water; and

(d) if so, the estimated quantity of such harvested rain water out of the total rain water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) Yes,

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.